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Dear Friends,

It is my hope that this newsletter will remind you of some carefree summer days, a new or long-time Star friend, or something unexpected you learned on island. As our world has become increasingly chaotic and contentious, our island respite “far from the madding crowd” gives us an opportunity to experience the best in humanity and our natural world. We are lucky! And, we must continue to grow, attract new families and individuals, and take care of our beloved island. I am proud to report, we are doing just that. Your support as conferees, volunteers, Pelicans, donors, enthusiastic ambassadors, and engaged citizens is what keeps our nonprofit boldly moving forward. Thank you!

Undoubtedly you have heard the research stating that our brains and our relationships need time away from technology and devices. Especially our kids! Fresh sea air, adventure,

conversation, and developing a moral compass are all things we offer at Star Island. It’s a rare place where young and old are unplugged. What a joy it is to see the intergenerational bonds get stronger. We remain committed to that vision, while allowing for those who need access to technology the opportunity to do so. Striking that balance has worked so far. What we know deeply is that Star Island is a place that we want to continue for future generations. While we offer guests a unique perspective on history, simple living, community, and ecology, we also are forward-looking with our Green Gosport Initiative, employing the latest technology to use our resources wisely.

Please share our new promotional video; we want to fill our conferences and programs. You can find the video on our website at

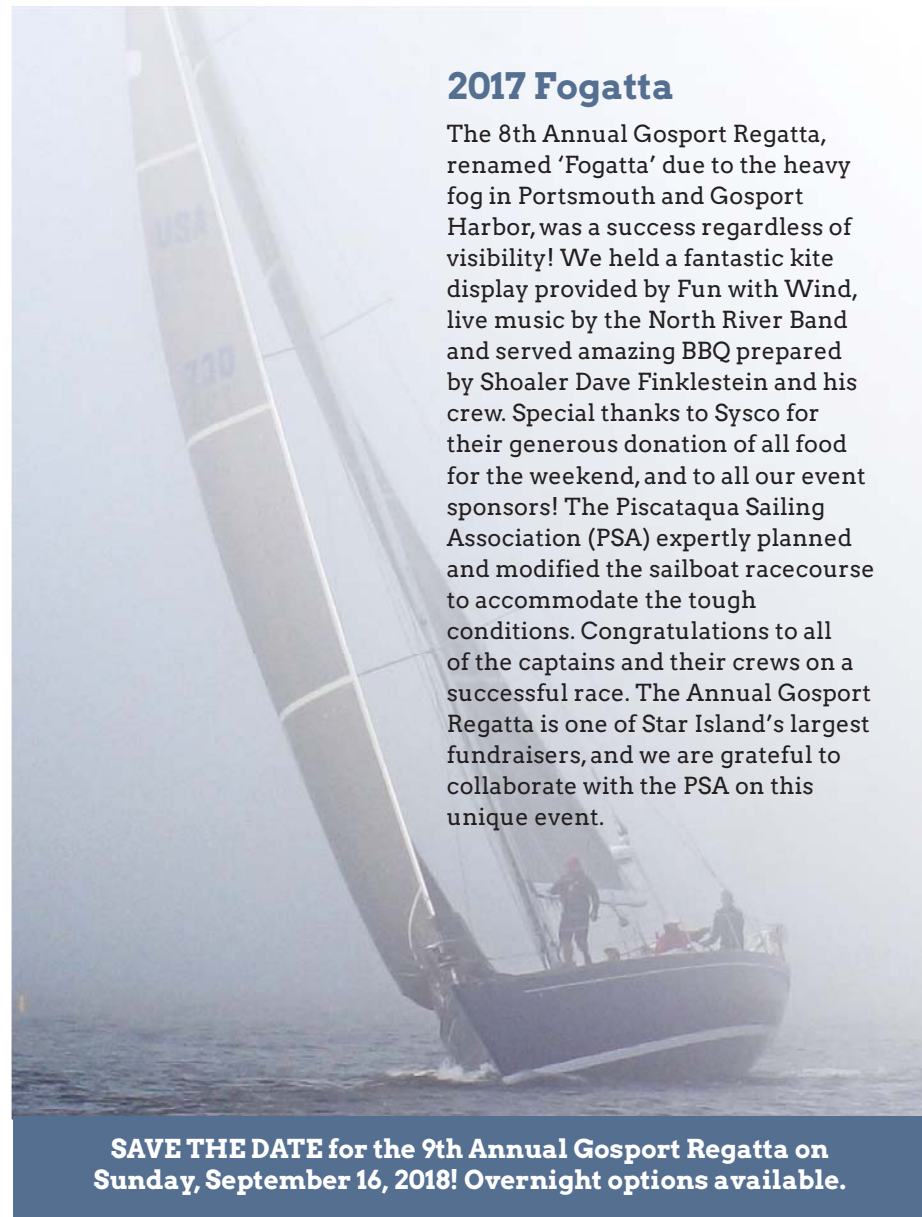
www.starisland.org/videos. And let’s remember, that the wonderful traditions we cherish and long-term friendships we form can be intimidating for newcomers. Let’s collectively do all we can to make new Shoalers feel welcome and an integral part of our community. This year, we are placing even more of a focus on being welcoming, and creating a diverse and inclusive spiritual community. We are launching the Beloved Community Project, the purpose of which is to help cultivate thriving, joyous communities of celebration and care in which folks are welcomed across all kinds of difference. Stay tuned for more!

Summer will be here before we know it. Not to wish time away, but I for one, can’t wait.

Warm regards,
Joe Watts
Star Island Corporation CEO



Star Island News & Events



2017 Fogatta

The 8th Annual Gosport Regatta, renamed 'Fogatta' due to the heavy fog in Portsmouth and Gosport Harbor, was a success regardless of visibility! We held a fantastic kite display provided by Fun with Wind, live music by the North River Band and served amazing BBQ prepared by Shoaler Dave Finklestein and his crew. Special thanks to Sysco for their generous donation of all food for the weekend, and to all our event sponsors! The Piscataqua Sailing Association (PSA) expertly planned and modified the sailboat racecourse to accommodate the tough conditions. Congratulations to all of the captains and their crews on a successful race. The Annual Gosport Regatta is one of Star Island's largest fundraisers, and we are grateful to collaborate with the PSA on this unique event.

SAVE THE DATE for the 9th Annual Gosport Regatta on Sunday, September 16, 2018! Overnight options available.



Vet Raffle

We are pleased to announce that **U.S. Army Veteran Nelson Linscott** is the winner of our 5th Annual Veteran's Raffle. Nelson will experience his first trip to Star Island after being randomly selected to enjoy an all-inclusive vacation for a week this summer. Nelson, a Kittery, Maine resident, has lived on the Seacoast for many years, but never had the opportunity to visit

the Isles of Shoals. We are thrilled to offer this experience to Nelson in gratitude for his service and the service of all military veterans.



20 Years of Star Island Photography Exhibit & Opening Reception

Over 100 guests attended the opening of *20 Years of Star Island Photography* an exhibit put on by the New Hampshire Society of Photographic Artists (NHSPA). Collaborating with Star Island and Discover Portsmouth, Peter Randall, founder of the NHSPA, curated the exhibit showcasing 23 Shoals photographers. The exhibit was created in celebration of the NHSPA's 20th retreat on Star Island. We look forward to welcoming them back for their 21st annual summer weekend.



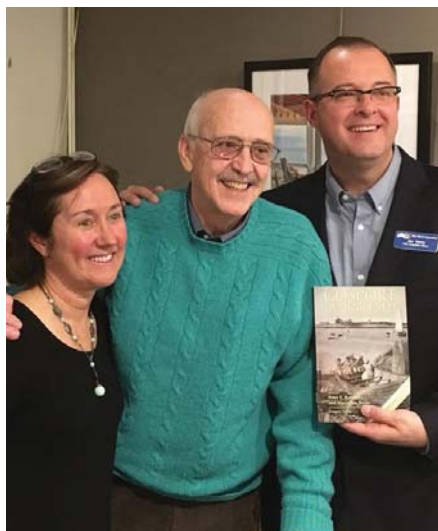
Bread & Puppet

World renowned Bread & Puppet Theater held a captivating performance on Star Island this past summer for conferees and day-trippers to enjoy. Dancing toilets, dinosaurs, actors in oversized masks and many other characters brought life, laughter and a dose of political satire to our small island. We were honored to host such an illustrious theater group.



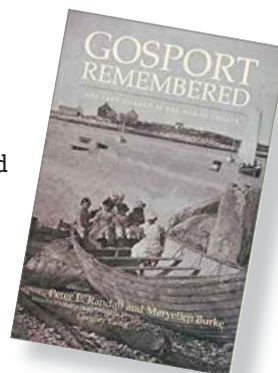
LCHIP Grant Awarded—\$125,000

We are so pleased to have been the recipient of a \$125,000 grant from the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) to help preserve the historic Oceanic Hotel. This award is a significant investment in helping keep the Oceanic Hotel in excellent condition. We are appreciative that LCHIP recognizes the important role the Oceanic played in New England history—it is a treasure where all are welcome to take a step back to an era long ago. The Oceanic has withstood the harsh conditions of the Atlantic for over 140 years, but maintaining the structure is challenging. There is constant upkeep stemming from the wind and precipitation the island experiences, in addition to the challenges posed by early construction techniques and materials. This grant will help fund repairs necessary to ensure the Oceanic will welcome future generations. We express our gratitude to LCHIP for helping us continue this important work!



Starry Night

Our 2017 Starry Night speakers, authors Maryellen Burke and Peter Randall, discussed the fascinating process of creating, *Gosport Remembered: The Last Village At The Isles of Shoals*. Burke and Randall shared their own connections to the Isles of Shoals and what drew them to edit a book which pairs historical photos with the writings and letters of visitors who experienced the Shoals in the 1800s. Originally published in 1997, Star Island has reprinted the book as a



special 20th anniversary commemorative edition. If you missed the event, Peter Randall discusses the book on page 14 of this newsletter. Books will be available for purchase on the island.

**For more information on upcoming events
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SEA Star: Educating Students About the Isles of Shoals

In 2017, Star Island launched a cross-curricular educational pilot program for visiting elementary and middle school students. Covering Social Studies, Environmentalism, and the Arts (SEA), the SEA Star program offers single day or overnight lessons for visiting students. Focused on the rich history of the Isles of Shoals, marine science and sustainability, visual art, and poetry, schools across New Hampshire and Massachusetts participated in the programming. Here are some examples of the activities that take place on island.

- **HUNT FOR HISTORY** – Vaughn Cottage Library & Museum staff lead students on an interactive, historical island tour, sharing what the island looked like in the past compared to the present.
- **PEERING INTO PLANKTON** – Students fish for plankton off the Star Island dock and examine the specimens under microscopes in the Rutledge Marine Lab with our Island Naturalists.
- **WASTE RACE** – A relay race designed by Star Island's Environmental Services team, teaches students about

the differences between landfill, recycling, and compost and how to help the environment by sorting waste into the correct receptacles.

- **ISLAND RHYMES** – Former Portsmouth Poet Laureate Kate Leigh guides students through writing their own Celia Thaxter inspired poetry about what they see, hear, and feel on Star Island.
- **TEACUP TECHNIQUES** – Star Island's Art Director showed students how to use different artistic techniques to design their own teacup, inspired by Celia Thaxter's original hand-painted pottery displayed in the Vaughn Cottage Museum Collection.
- **STAR SERVICE** – This program provides an opportunity for students to give back to Star Island and learn about the teamwork and creativity it takes to run an island. Students helped maintain or harvest the gardens or helped fold linens and observe the island laundry process. Star Service is also available for recreational groups and high school students.

Denise Buckman, a fourth grade teacher from Grantham Village School who participated in the on island program shared, "We were fortunate to visit Star Island on a beautiful early summer day. A favorite experience of our students was a relay activity involving recycling led by an enthusiastic group of college kids. The staff at Star share a love and respect for the natural environment and are passionate about stewardship. It was a pleasure to experience Star Island and learn more about this gem just off NH's coast." Star Island is thrilled to continue the SEA Star program this spring and fall. This year we will be collaborating with Historic New England's Sarah Orne Jewett House Museum and Visitor Center of South Berwick. Thanks to this partnership, SEA Star's social studies activity will provide a narrative on the Maine writer's friendship with Shoals artist Celia Thaxter, connecting island and mainland history!

For more information about SEA Star, contact Ally Miner at aminer@starisland.org.





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We have made every effort to ensure accuracy of these lists. If we have made an error or omission, please accept our deepest apologies, and contact the Star Island office to let us know.

THANK YOU TO OUR 2017 SPONSORS





Creating the Future of Wastewater

Plans for the new wastewater treatment/reclamation system on Star Island are moving forward and our groundbreaking project should be operational next year! Financing approval for the project was assured last July with the signing of formal documents for a low-interest loan from the State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) under the EPA's Clean Water State Revolving Fund. This program has until recently provided money only to municipalities for wastewater improvements. Recent changes in the program guidelines have opened the program to non-profit organizations. Star Island was the first non-profit in the state to qualify for a wastewater loan, which has a low fixed interest rate and a term of twenty years.

In addition to finding a reliable system that can address our seasonal occupancy fluctuation and effectively manage the high nutrient content of the island waste stream, engineers were also asked to recommend

an approach which reduces electricity demand, and can allow recycling of treated wastewater for uses such as toilet flushing and irrigation.

In February we received the final report from Underwood Engineers including specific recommendations for a new system and other improvements to the waste stream process. The report followed extensive meetings with regulators over the past eighteen months, and represents a truly collaborative approach to meeting a broad range of goals for an improved system.

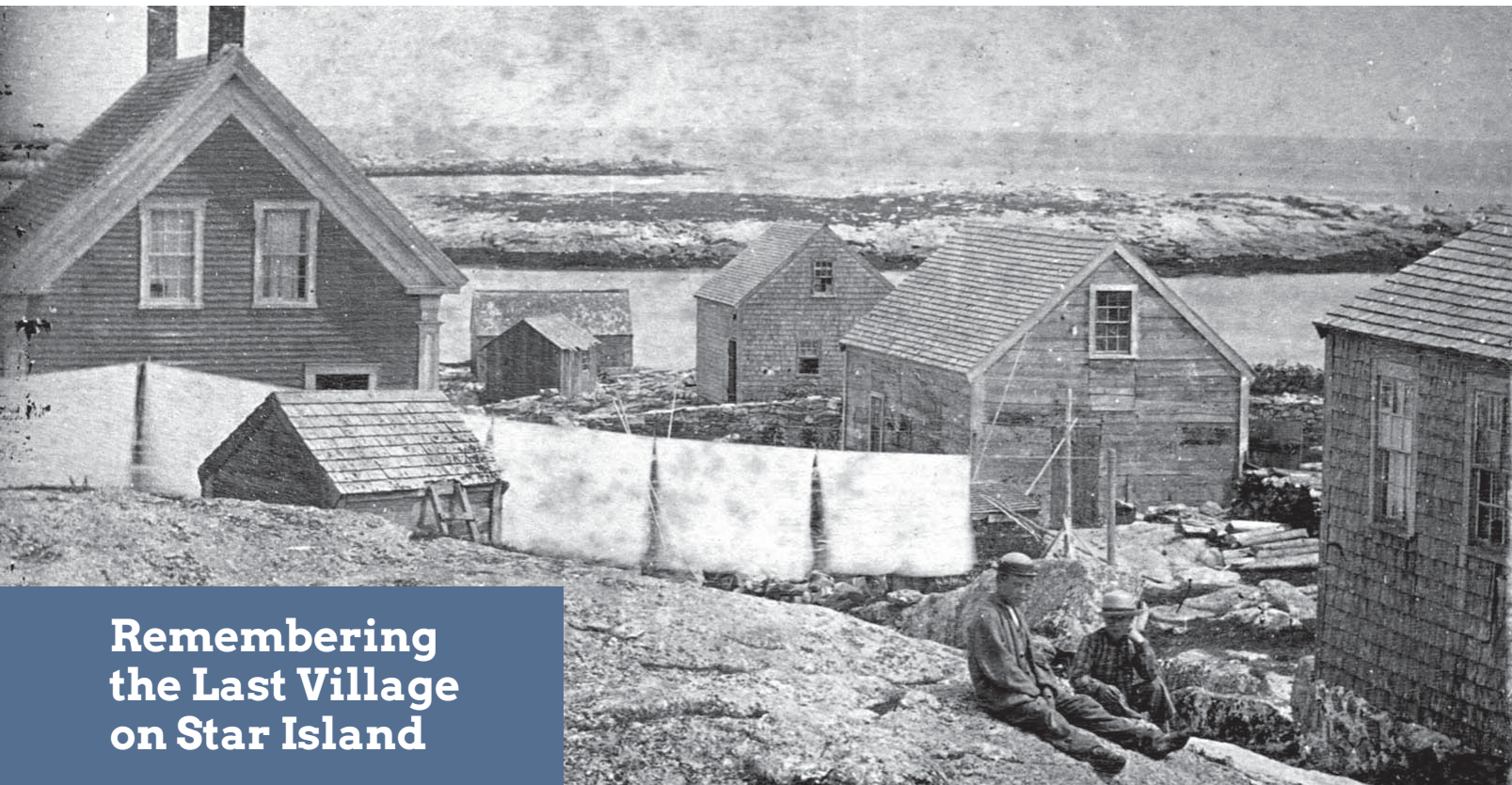
The first recommendation in the Underwood Report is to install an expanded grease trap system that can remove more waste materials from the kitchen flow before they hit the treatment plant. This system will be installed this spring. A series of large plastic chambers will contain the wastewater from the kitchen, slowing it down long enough to cool. This allows suspended fats, oils and grease to be captured for later disposal before it reaches the waste treatment plant. Such removal is essential to efficient and reliable operation of any system.

The report goes on to evaluate ten different treatment system options on the basis of cost, feasibility, visual impact, ease of operation, quality of treated effluent, energy consumption and other factors.

Underwood recommends a system called Amphidrome, in technical terms a "submerged attached growth biologically active filter (BAF)." These systems are manufactured in New England and have been successfully deployed in hospitals, resorts, schools, office parks and similar developments with large wastewater demands not serviced by public sewers. The system, which fits entirely within the existing waste treatment tanks, relies on bacteria and filtration to process up to 17,000 gallons of island wastewater per day, using only 10% of the energy of our current system.

The final product, after disinfection similar to that used in our drinking water system, is expected to be non-potable re-use. No longer simply wastewater for ocean discharge, this reclaimed resource will ultimately be used to flush island toilets and for lawn irrigation. Star Island is working with DES to help write the rules for the use of recycled wastewater in what is recognized as an important pilot project in New Hampshire that will have statewide benefits for waste treatment and water conservation efforts.

Final approvals are expected in mid summer 2018, allowing construction to begin shortly thereafter. If all goes as planned, the new system will be in operation for the 2019 season.



Remembering the Last Village on Star Island

Gosport Remembered, the Last Village at the Isles of Shoals, tells the story of the last years of the little village that existed on Star for many years before the island became a conference center. First published twenty years ago by the Portsmouth Marine Society, a special 20th anniversary paperback edition has been reprinted and copies will be available at the Star Bookstore.

Many years before Star Island was a conference center, it was home to a small village called Gosport. From 1623 until 1872, Star supported fishermen and their families. In the early years when cod were huge and abundant and few settlements were on the mainland, the island's fishermen were some of the wealthiest people in New England. They dried cod for export to Europe, but as seacoast towns grew and fear of Native American attacks diminished, the more successful families moved to the mainland.

Gosport became an incorporated town in the state of New Hampshire, electing officers and even a member of the legislature. But life on the island was difficult. Imagine having enough drinking water, or fuel for heating and cooking. Dried fish were sold or bartered, but money was in short supply. Ministers were often paid with dried fish they had to sell for income.

At the time of the American



Revolution, the villagers were asked to leave the island since their loyalty to the cause was somewhat in doubt. After the war ended those who returned were probably people who had trouble getting established on the mainland and others who just missed the freedom of living on an island.

The quality of life declined and, by 1800, missionaries were assigned to Star to support the few remaining families. It was during the nineteenth century when summers visitors began to arrive, hosted by small inns on Smuttynose and, later, Star, and in 1848 the large Appledore House on Appledore Island. Many visitors

such as authors Nathaniel Hawthorne and Charles Henry Dana, wrote about the islands and its people.

When a large collection of 1860s photographs of primarily Star became available, Peter Randall and Maryellen Burke decided to put together a book of the pictures and the contemporary works of visitors as well as Celia Thaxter and her brothers.

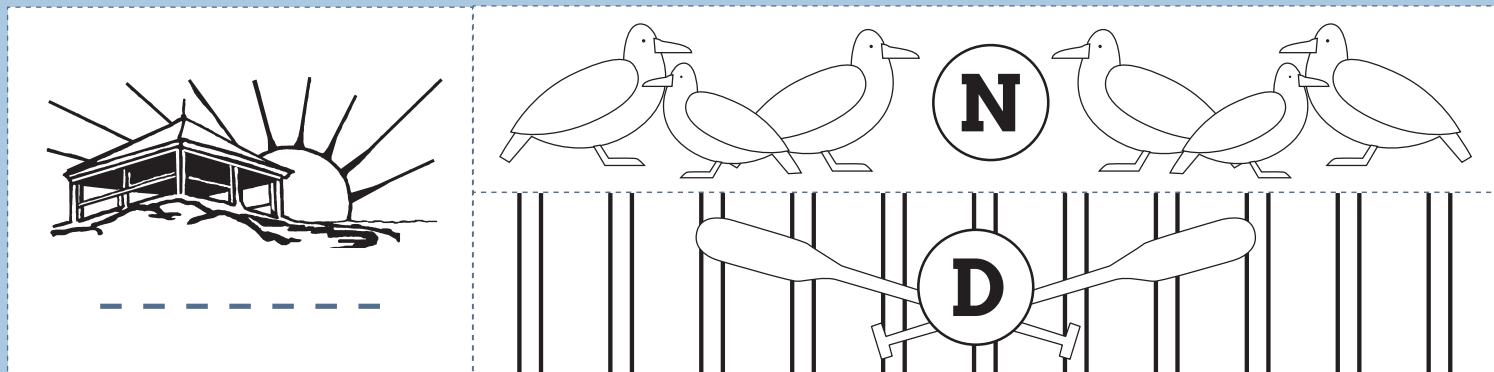
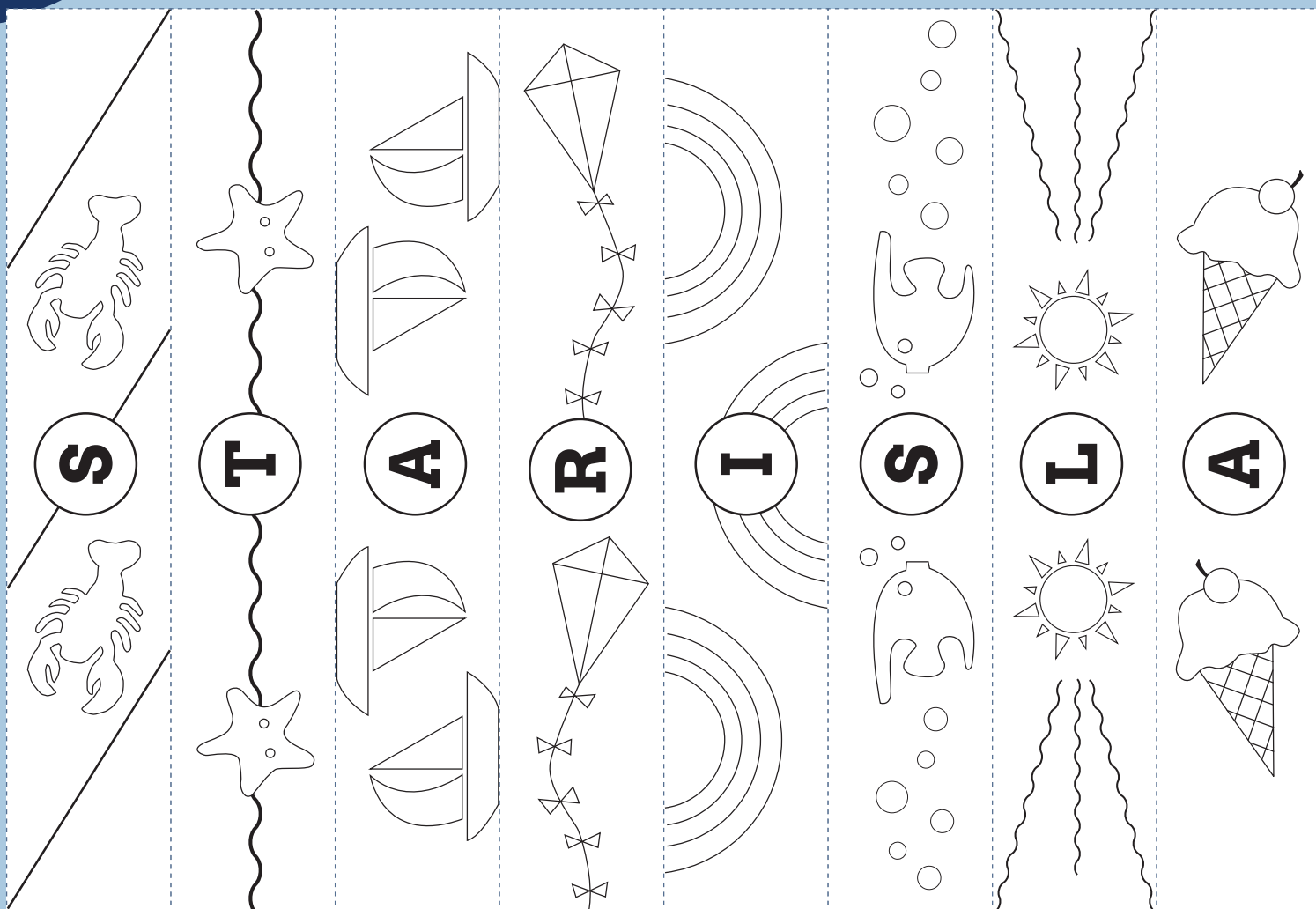
It is remarkable that so much was written about this little village that no longer exists. This rich literary output forms the heart of the book and brings to life the scenes and the people who were photographed.

Star Island Countdown Chain

Summer will be here before you know it!

Use this 10-day countdown chain to celebrate
each day closer to visiting Star Island!

INSTRUCTIONS ON THE BACK



INSTRUCTIONS

- * Cut out this entire page from the booklet
- * Color in the 10 countdown strips and summer house
- * Cut each slip along the dotted line, giving you 10 strips to make loops
- * Cut out the Summer House and cut one slit along the dotted line—this is where you will insert your first chain loop.
- * Insert your first slip of paper through the slit in the summer house and tape to itself to create a link
- * Continue to loop and tape the rest of the slips until you have a STAR ISLAND 10-day countdown
- * Hang and prepare to countdown! Take one loop off each night before bed or each morning upon rising. And before you know it'll you be at the Summer House!

Parents, take photos of your kids counting down the days until their trip to Star Island and share with us on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter!

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WHAT'S ON DECK



We are constantly working on improvements, repairs and maintenance of our beloved island. Are you curious about what's on deck for the next few years? Here are some of our major projects for 2018 and beyond.

Shack Renovation

We are excited to begin work on the Shack renovation this spring. As the primary housing for Pelicans, Shack is one of the older buildings on island—built the same year as the Oceanic Hotel in 1876. Shack was previously renovated 30 years ago, with an additional interior renovation 15 years ago, but it is now in need of a complete overhaul. Spring renovations will include rehabbing of the entire exterior, window replacements, bathroom upgrades, and an extension of Shack Deck. As the central gathering place for Pelicans and a staple landmark in our island community, we want to make sure Shack is around for decades to come! The Pelicans have already contributed to this project with a significant donation. Ex-Pels and other Shoalers who wish to chip in as well, please contact Peter Squires at psquires@starisland.org for more information!

Oceanic Tower and West Wall Restoration

Thanks to our friends at the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) and generous individual donors, we are able to begin framing, sheathing, and replacing siding on the Oceanic Hotel tower this spring. Upgrades to the roof flashing and general weatherproofing will help preservation efforts moving forward. These crucial and needed improvements will ensure the safety of our guests and longevity of the hotel.

The Underworld Renovation

Located under the main dining hall, the Underworld is a dining and community space for Pelicans and senior staff members. This project is still in the design and engineering phase, and work is expected to begin in 2019. Renovating the Underworld will accomplish multiple goals; improving safety through egress and fire upgrades, maximizing the use of existing space, and enhancing staff dining and lounge facilities.

Fire Sprinkler System Upgrades

We take fire safety seriously on Star Island and we're constantly replacing pipes or valves that are not meeting our expectations. Sprinkler repairs will continue this year, as well as maintenance on the central island cistern to ensure proper water circulation to the fire pump.

Brookfield/Marine Lab Renovation

Thanks to a generous donation from long-time Shoaler Lois Williams, we will be renovating Brookfield and the Rutledge Marine Lab in fall 2018 and spring 2019. Final structural plans are still in progress—foundation and framing repairs, electrical upgrades, new siding, doors and windows, bathroom upgrades, deck expansion, improved layout, and update fixtures

are all part of the plan. We look forward to converting this space into an essential location for education and learning at the Isles of Shoals.

Lobby Alcove Restoration

A favorite nook of many in the hotel, repairs to the plaster and woodwork of the alcove, and repainting will take place in spring of 2018. A gas fireplace is expected to be added to this area for extra coziness! The alcove restoration will happen in concert with exterior repairs to the Oceanic tower.

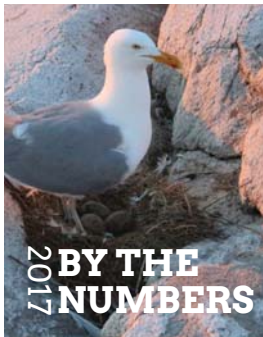
Bathroom Upgrades

Bathrooms located in Lawrance and Sandpiper will get a face lift this spring.

Wastewater/Water Reclamation Project

See page 13 to read more about our innovative wastewater/water reclamation project!





0 Softball games won by conferees (ouch!)

1 Fogatta (Foggy Regatta)

4 Weddings on the island

5 New educational panels in Brookfield

7 School groups visited

8 Combinations of Pelican siblings working on the island

10 Average hours of power per day provided by the solar array (during the conference season; all power provided in the off season)

13%

Surpassed Annual Fund goal

20

Winter seasons spent on island by winter caretaker, Alex de Steiguer

22

Wi-Fi access points

28

Sewing machines on island at one time

60

Island chickens

7,343

Pounds of kitchen compost eaten by chickens



245

Pounds of trash picked up at Earth Day event

432

Volunteers

550+

Gallons of ice cream served

1,219

Lobsters served



1,500

Pounds of produce harvested on the island

1,804

Candles used for chapel lanterns

4,066

Overnight guests

11,510

Cardboard boxes shredded and composted

16,471

Sheets of computer paper used on the island

16,907

Gigabytes of data received from the mainland during the conference season

21,690

Gallons of rainwater converted into drinking water

30,000+

Cookies baked/served on island

52,320

Tons of food composted

64,877

Kilowatt hours of solar energy used



206,252

Gallons of water delivered by the Thomas Loughton



269,357

Gallons of Water produced through Reverse Osmosis Desalination



PASSAGES

International Affairs Conferee, **Janet Andereck** passed away on January 20, 2017.

All Star 1 Conferee and Corporation Member, **Norman Doelling** passed away on March 30, 2017.

Spouse of longtime Writers in the Round Conferee **Guy Capecelatro, Pam Capecelatro Raiford**, passed away April 13, 2017.

Former Pelican, **Matthew Kennedy** married **Alicia Wang** on April 15, 2017.

ISHRA Conferee, **Robert Cook Sr.** passed away on May 28, 2017.

Former Pelicans **Eleni Marino** and **David Bram** were married on June 3, 2017 (on Star Island).

Natural History Week Conferee, **Lu Knox** passed away on June 9, 2017.

International Affairs Conferee, **Estelle Stryker** passed away on June 9, 2017.

LOAS 2 Conferee and Corporation Member, **Grace Lindquist** passed away on July 30, 2017.

International Affairs Conferee, **Janet Dorsch Zagoria** passed away on August 8, 2017.

Natural History Week (among many others) Conferee and Corporation Member, **Jeanne Saunders** passed away on August 13, 2017.

LOAS 2 Conferee and Corporation Member, **Rudy Nashan** passed away on August 16, 2017.

International Affairs Conferee, **Pat Johnson** passed away on August 31, 2017.

Corporation Member, Strategic Facilities Committee Member, Former Pelican, and Former SIC Staff Member, **Annaliese Reutemann** married **Benjamin Salb** on September 23, 2017.

Former Pelicans **Kendra Allenby** and **Evan Bollens-Lund** were married on September 23, 2017.

Emma Grace Blakney was born on November 6, 2017 to Former Pelican and SIC Staff Member **Noah Blakney** and wife Leslie.

Star Gathering 2 Conferee and Corporation Member, **Albert Hurd** passed away on October 21, 2017.

Former Pelican and All Star 1 Conferee, **David Clegg** passed away on November 16, 2017.

Pelican **Harrison Durant** passed away on December 8, 2017.

Longtime Shoaler and attendee of many conferences, **H. Elizabeth "Lib" Ring** passed away on January 9, 2018.

LOAS 1 Conferee, **Kenneth Nygren** passed on January 10, 2018.

Longtime Shoaler, LOAS 2 Conferee, and Corporation Member, **Alan Deale** passed away on January 29, 2018.

Former Pelican, Pelican Reunion Conferee, and Corporation Member, **Margret Kolbjornsen** passed away on February 3, 2018.

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